

NEVADA DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

FACT SHEET
(pursuant to NAC 445A.236)

Permittee Name:

City of Sparks
Department of Public Works
431 Prater Way
Sparks, Nevada 89431

Project Name: Truckee River Whitewater Park at Rock Park

Permit Numbers: TNEV2006465 for Working in Waterways (Truckee River) and TNEV2007374 for dewatering and water management discharges to the Truckee River necessitated by project activities.

Location: The proposed project area is located in Sparks at Rock Park in and along the Truckee River in Washoe County, Nevada. Latitude: 39° 31' 13"N.; Longitude: 119° 45' 49"W. in Sections 8 and 17, T. 19N., R. 20E. MDB&M.

General: Permit #TNEV2006465, is a Working in Waterways Permit which addresses different aspects of the project for construction of the Whitewater Park at Rock Park (WWP@RP) by the City of Sparks (COS). Under the terms and conditions of this permit for the proposed project, certain activities coupled with implemented Best Management Practices, and specified construction sequences are to be followed in accordance with plans and specifications submitted to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection. Permit requirements are implemented to aid in the protection of water quality and the environment. The permit addresses the methods which will be used to undertake the construction of the WWP@RP itself, and the management of the river's water by isolation of the area from the live water, to enable the excavation and construction of the recreational features and modification of the river channel. These elements will be strategically placed boulders and smaller rock infilled by Portland cement, which together are designed to form a hard structure in the river causing the water to backwater and create an artificial head so that the water flows through the rock chutes and into pools which will be excavated below each structure.

The second discharge permit #TNEV2007374 addresses methods of managing water which is encountered/intercepted in sumps and trenches from underflow of the river, and the dewatering which the project will require. Prior to discharge back into the river all waters will be settled in settling basins and filtered. Best Management practices are required to be implemented to provide secondary containment of all pumps and any areas where fuels, hydraulic fluids and other pollutants are present. Water quality monitoring

will be required to ensure water quality is maintained such that impacts to the river will be kept at a minimum.

The Permittee, COS, shall comply with all the terms and conditions of the permit. The Administrator of the NDEP reserves the right to reopen the permit to change, modify or add additional permit language or conditions.

Monitoring: The proposed project shall be monitored in several ways, including but not limited to:

- a. A narrative report shall describe the construction project implementation, start to finish, including the record of all the water quality sampling and analyses conducted. Also, a series of documentary photos shall be taken to be included in the report. The photos shall illustrate the work progress of the project construction, the water management activities, the discharge site(s), and the BMPs implemented at the site showing the before, during and after shots of all the construction work and other activities as outlined in the project submittals. The photos shall further document the installation and implementation of all of the Best Management Practices designed to control erosion, sedimentation, and manage water to protect water quality.
- b. Water Quality samples will be required to be taken and analyzed of all the dewatering and other water discharges on a daily basis. Additionally water quality sampling will be required of the river water both upstream and downstream of the project. Water quality standards for NAC 445A.186 shall apply to the discharges when work is active in the river, and or discharges are occurring.

Procedures for Public Comment

The Notice of the Division's intent to issue a permit authorizing the facility to discharge to waters of the State of Nevada subject to the conditions contained within the permit, is being sent to the Sparks Tribune, and the Reno Gazette Journal for publication. The notice is being mailed to interested persons on our mailing list. Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed permit can do so in writing for a period of fifteen(15)days following the newspaper publication of the public notice, by January 26, 2007. The comment period can be extended at the discretion of the Administrator.

A public hearing on the proposed determination can be requested by the applicant, any affected State, any affected interstate agency, the Regional Administrator or any interested agency, person or group of persons. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted.

Any public hearing determined by the Administrator to be held must be conducted in the geographical area of the proposed discharge or any other area the Administrator determined to be appropriate. All public hearings must be conducted to accordance with NAC 445A.238.

The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to NRS 445A.605.

Proposed Determination

The Division has made the tentative determination to issue the proposed permit for a 180 day period.

Schedule of Compliance:

The Permittee shall implement and comply with the provisions of the schedule of compliance after approval by the Administrator, including in said implementation and compliance, any additions or modifications which the Administrator may make in approving the schedule of compliance.